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JUDGE'S COMMENT ON
EVIDENCE.

"FORCED TO SIGN."

Mr. Tsang Chun-sun, the manager of the Man Chuen Bank, who is alleged to have loaned \$57,600 from Moxon and Taylor and not to have repaid, was cross-examined at length this morning by Mr. Eldon Potter (for Moxon and Taylor).

In the course of his evidence, His Lordship remarked that it seemed incredible that he (witness) as a business man had acted in the manner in which he said he had.

Witness repeated in the box this morning that the transaction conducted through Lammerts was a sale and a purchase of the 200 Wharves. He talked with Cham Wing-tok (the accredited agent of Lammerts) on the afternoon of June 6 and Chan told him that he (Chan) had money for him.

Mr. Potter: Would it be true to say that there were negotiations for a loan on that afternoon?

Witness: Lammerts promised to lend me money on that day.

Witness admitted under cross-examination that Chan had said to him that if he (witness) needed money for a loan on that day he would give it to him.

Mr. Potter then pointed out that in an affidavit, witness had denied seeing Chan about raising a loan on that afternoon and that Chan had arranged to raise it.

Mr. Potter also referred to a letter signed by witness admitting indebtedness for the loan to Lammerts and asked him how he reconciled that admission with his denial in the witness box that morning that the transaction was in the nature of a loan.

Witness said that he was requested to sign this liability for the Man Chuen Bank.

Mr. Potter: Do you mean that you were forced to sign it?

Witness: They drafted the letter and told me I would have to sign for the Man Chuen Bank's indebtedness before the matter could be considered of their liability to the Bank. They told me there would be no proof unless I signed.

"Kept In Ignorance."

Questioned by His Lordship, witness said that he was kept in ignorance of the contents of the letter and was told he would have to sign. He did not know that it contained an admission of the transaction having been a loan.

Mr. Potter reminded Mr. Chan of Lammerts' indebtedness to the Man Chuen Bank for \$13,000 at this time. Why did he not press Lammerts for repayment? he asked.

Witness said that the Bank held China Sugars against this indebtedness as security. Lammerts could not pay and asked them to extend the time and not to sell the shares as they were going down and Lammerts would have to pay the balance.

Mr. Potter: Why did not you say to 'Chan' (Lammerts agent) 'You have just offered to give me money. If you have money to give, you must pay back your indebtedness?'

Witness: I do not understand that myself.

His Lordship: Then how do you, as a business man yourself, expect us to understand it. I am not a banker but I know something of the ways of business men. You were pressing for money to be repaid and you said the man who owed it offered to lend you money for something else. Yet you say that you did not press him for payment of the original indebtedness. It seems to me to be a very extraordinary way of doing business. Speaking quite frankly, it seems to me to be incredible.

Mr. Potter: You say that you sold 200 Wharves at \$188 on that day. Why did you sell them two days below the market quotation?

Witness: I wanted the money for other purposes.

Mr. Potter: You were required to pay \$80,000 to the Dutch Bank and your account with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank was also overdrawn. You wanted this money urgently, in fact.

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Potter: Do you still say that you did not authorize Chan to raise a loan on that afternoon.

Witness: I believed that the Wharves would rise.

Mr. Potter: Why did not you undertake to re-purchase them at the June settlement?

Witness: I believed that the disc would come later.

The case is proceeding.

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ROBBER MYTHS.

WHAT TOURISTS THINK OF
RICHSHAS.

TWO BIG SHIPS IN PORT.

Opinion is agreed that it is "hard lines" that two tourist ships should be at Hongkong together when the weather is far from propitious. Those who have been here before—especially members of the staffs—still speak well of Hongkong, having previously seen the place basking in sunshine.

On being told that there had been no trouble whatever in connection with the visitors on the "Resolute," a "China Mail" reporter learned of an "incident" at Shanghai which, by contrast, puts Hongkong in a good light.

Misunderstanding arose in Shanghai over the employment of richshas. Apparently a rumour—believed to be groundless—went round that two of the ladies on the "Beigeland" had been conveyed to a side street in the Chinese city and robbed of all their valuables. This led to individuals not following the instructions given out by the management with regard to the human chariots. In Hongkong, on the other hand, there has been nothing to complain about richshas.

The Hongkong Hotel this morning, with its new lounge, presented a very animated scene. One lift was marked for the "Resolute" and the other for the "Laconia," which put in on time about 7 a.m. and is alongside the Kowloon wharf.

About eighteen of the "Resolute's" passengers made the trip to Macao and were immensely pleased with the place. This ship leaves Hongkong this evening.

Arrangements for the "Laconia" to-day include the Macao visit (about 140 going over), motor rides round the island, rambles up the Peak, runs to Repulse Bay, independent shopping expeditions, and assemblies at the Hongkong Hotel, in whose capable hands are the general arrangements.

The Canton trip is not considered advisable under present conditions. Notables among the 640 guests on the 20,000-ton "Laconia" include Governor Osborne, Iowa (who was on the previous "F.C. Clark" tour) on the "California," Colonel Daniels (reputed to be worth forty millions of gold dollars), Mr. Pugsley (a prominent banker of America), who has a party of ten one of whom is his son, Mr. Chester Pugsley (a lawyer of international repute).

The "Laconia" stays till Saturday. When the "Resolute" sails to-day she will take on about ten passengers from Hongkong, for Manila.

SIR P. WATTS.

DEATH OF THE NAVAL
ARCHITECT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 16.
The death is announced of Sir Philip Watts, K.C.B., D.S.C., F.R.S., the well-known naval architect, at the age of 80 years.

[Sir Philip Watts was Director of Naval Construction to the Admiralty from 1900 to 1911. For 16 years he was naval architect to the great Elswick firm of Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., designing many of the world's most important warships. He was the designer of the Dreadnought, an ardent Volunteer Colonel, he prepared and sent a battery of artillery to South Africa during the Boer War.]

Among mails which arrived this morning were 58 bags of parcels from London and 14 bags (papers only) from Europe via Siberia.

Witness: I only asked him to sell and not to borrow money.

Mr. Potter reverted to the question of the alleged sale of the 200 Wharves, asking witness why if it was a sale he (witness) stated it was, he sold and entered into an undertaking to repurchase at 4 1/4 pints above the selling price.

Witness: I believed that the Wharves would rise.

Mr. Potter: Why did not you undertake to re-purchase them at the June settlement?

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TAKEN EFFECT.

HONGKONG SHAREHOLDERS
TURN UP.

TWO QUESTIONS ASKED.

Green Island Cement Co.'s New
Director.

Apparently, the remarks of Mr. D. McNeill about shareholders in Hongkong limited companies have taken effect, there was a large attendance at this morning's annual meeting (held at 37½ general) of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. (held at the office of the general managers, Messrs. Shaw, Thomas & Co.), when a couple of queries were put.

Mr. R. G. Shewan (chairman) was supported by Messrs. Allan Cameron, J. Scott Haydon, Conrad F. Mendham, C. A. da Rocha, Li Tse-fong (directors) and Mr. Allan Keith (secretary).

Shareholders present comprised Messrs.—C. G. Alabaster, Tong Hok-tung, D. M. Goodall, M. A. Figueiredo, I. W. Shewan, A. L. Shields, W. E. van Eps, D. W. Munton, J. Coulthart, W. J. Carroll, G. H. Rottis, J. T. Bagram, W. J. Stokes, M. M. Alves, A. H. Ma da Silva, N. V. A. Croucher, A. A. Alves, J. F. da Rocha, C. S. Remedios, P. M. N. da Silva, J. E. Joseph, and S. Mitchell.

After the secretary—as called upon by the chairman—had read the notice, and the auditors' report—Mr. R. G. Shewan said:—

Unfavourable Conditions.
"Gentlemen—As the report and accounts for the year ending December 31, 1925 have been in your hands for some time past I will with your permission take them as read."

"The result of the year's work certainly compares unfavourably with that of previous years, but I need make no apology for this as you all know the unfavourable business conditions with which we have had to contend since the beginning of the strike of Chinese labour last June."

"The balance at credit of profit and loss account is \$501,453.06 as against \$693,148.60 for 1924, and under all the circumstances not only as regards the lack of labour but also the reduced local demand and the difficulty of securing the usual shipping facilities for export, I do not think much better could be expected."

"As for the prospects for the coming year, I hardly dare to speak, but if anything, there seems to be a little more enquiry now than there was at the end of the year and we can only hope that this may continue."

"We are fortunate in having a good supply of limestone at the work of the contractors, at Bias Bay was all put a stop to by the outbreak of trouble there. The place appears to be in the hands of bandits and the prospects of building the proposed light railway and pier are very indefinite at present."

"As indicated at last year's meeting the ground at Castle Peak was sold and the surplus of \$114,444 appears in the profit and loss account."

The New Factory.

"As regards the proposed factory at Tsun Wan the necessary work of obtaining borings and soundings for the reclamation of the site has been carried out and much work has been done at home in obtaining estimates and information as to the best and most economical type of plant, but after careful consideration of the position, your directors in face of the difficulty of obtaining labour and the necessary financial facilities, felt that there was no course open to them but to stop further proceedings until the trade of the Colony returns to normal conditions. This is a course is very disappointing to all concerned, but on the other hand we have done all we could to push on the completion of the grinding machinery for the rotary grate kilns which are now taking the place of four of the old Aalborg kilns at Hokun with good results."

"Two more are under construction at Macao and should be finished at work before the end of this year. Unless, therefore, some very great increase in the demand for cement should arise we should be more than able to supply all our requirements for some time to come with our present plant."

Facts and Figures.

"Now as to our finances, last year all our cash in hand went in payment of the dividend and you will see from the balance sheet

AT LOGGERHEADS.

TWO WANCHAI LADIES
IN COURT.

COUNSEL'S SUGGESTION.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsay at the Central Magistracy this morning, Mrs. V. L. Spink, of No. 211, Wanchai Road, summoned her neighbour, Miss May Murray, for behaving in a disorderly manner and using abusive language. A cross-summons was taken out by Miss Murray.

Mr. G. R. Haywood, appearing for Mrs. Spink, said that it was a quarrel between neighbours and he thought it would be better if both parties were bound over, otherwise he was prepared to go on with the case.

"I am firmly convinced that my client is in the right," said Mr. A. J. O'Donoghue (for Miss Murray). He thought that Mrs. Spink was the person who should be bound over.

Mr. Haywood: "I am not agreeable to that."

Hearing was adjourned until 11.30 a.m. on Monday.

RUBBER DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. are in receipt of advices from Singapore, advising that the following dividends have been declared:

Temerloh—2nd Interim of 5 per cent. making 10 per cent. to date.

Bukit Kepong—15% Final making 30% for the year.

Conemara—15% Final making 22% for the year, and 10% Interim a/c 1926.

Kedah—2nd Interim 15% making 30% to date.

A burglary took place yesterday at an unnumbered house in Shaokun. Property to the value of about \$80 was stolen.

E. winds, fresh; overcast, drizzle and mist is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.

that up to December 31 we had expended \$30,905 on Macao and \$79,608 on Hokun, consequently on December 31 our overdraft at the bank had risen to nearly \$200,000 but against this our stocks of raw and finished material were higher by nearly \$400,000 and our investments at \$714,666 were untouched.

"As some shareholders are anxious to have some particulars of the investments, I may tell you that these consist wholly of:—

Hongkong Government War Loan.
British War Loan.
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.
Shanghai Municipal Council Loan.

"There are no others."

"At Deep Water Bay the first six months' work showed a profit but everything was brought almost to a standstill in July and since then it has simply been a struggle to keep the factory going with what-aver unskilled labour we could pick up. I am, however, glad to say that the prospects for this year seem, especially as regards bricks, better."

The new brick kiln is fulfilling all our expectations as to quantity and quality of the bricks turned out, and the output of the factory is slowly increasing as some of our best men have at last returned to work. Altogether our prospects for the current year are certainly better and with a return of the normal demand for drainage pipes, which I am sorry to say has practically entirely ceased owing to the curtailment of public and other works in the Colony, this department of our business should again show a fair profit on the turnover.

Dividend, &c.
"I now move that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and the balance at the credit of profit and loss account be dealt with as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 80 cents on the old shares and 10,668 shares on the new shares \$862,668.66
To place to reserve for new plant 100,000.00
To carry forward to the credit of next year's account 58,842.32
\$1,011,539.58

"Now as to our finances, last year all our cash in hand went in payment of the dividend and you will see from the balance sheet

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NEW BARISTER.

EDUCATED AT H.K. UNIVER-
SITY AND QUEEN'S.

MR. HIN SHING-LO.

A new barrister, Mr. Hin Shing-lo, was admitted to practice this morning at the Supreme Court, on the application of the Attorney-General.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp referred to Mr. Hin's early association in the Colony. He was born in Hongkong, and educated at Queen's College and the Hongkong University where he took his B.A. Having gone to Cambridge to complete his education he took his M.A. and was called to the Bar by the Society of the Temple on January 26, 1923, since when he had practised in England.

His Lordship welcomed the new barrister.

THE NOBLE ART.

H.K.B.A. TOURNAMENT.
MAIN EVENT.

SATURDAY'S PROSPECTS.

By to-morrow it should be known whether the main event for the Hongkong Boxing Association's tournament on Saturday night (at the Theatre Royal) will take place.

Kid Alfred (Manila) has been matched with Stoker Naegelin, of the French warship "Jules Michelet." As the Naval boat is due to sail this afternoon, steps are being taken by an interested and influential party to obtain leave for the stoker, so that the fight may go through.

Should Naegelin not get leave, then the bout will have to be taken off.

So far, the H.K.B.A. has not announced another bout in its place. However, it is understood that the tournament will take place on Saturday night (March 20) as arranged.

From the foregoing it is presumed that other contestants are available to fill up the bill if necessary.

No change has been announced in the 10-round "semi-final" and the six-round preliminaries. (The programme has been published in full in the "China Mail".)

All the men are reported to be fit and "going strong."

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Today's issue is number 19,570. Readers who have dusty bits of paper hidden away anywhere should find, out if such are included in the lucky series.

HARBOUR COLLISION.

A collision occurred yesterday between No. 6 Police launch and the ferry boat "Meridian Star" on the Kowloon side. The Police launch was extensively damaged about the bows.

In a search at the Tung On wharf yesterday, a sum of \$438 was found sewn into a jacket worn by a Chinese girl. She was fined \$50 at the Central Magistracy this morning for attempting to export the money to Macao.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/8 7/16.

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MEETING on the Members
of this Association will be
held in the Office of Messrs. Jar-
vis, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on
TUESDAY, 28th March, 1926, at
3.15 p.m., to pass and adopt the
Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1925, and to elect
Officers, etc.

By Order,
P. M. HODGSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 16, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.
DRIFT Programmes and Entry
Forms for the **FIRST**
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1926.
Hongkong, March 16, 1926.

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R. J. PATERSON,
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tion," "Products," "Labour," "Opium," "Commerce," "Shipping," "Currency," etc., have been rewritten and brought up to date. The Report of the Shanghai China Labour Commission is reproduced in full in the Chapter in "Labour," "The Political Summary" describes events up to the end of March 1925. The Chapter on "Defense" appears at the end of the Book. New Chapters include a Summary

of Medical Events," "Political Parties," "Taxation," a "Bibliography for 1924," and a documented Chapter on "China's Constitutions and Election Laws." THE TERMS OF THE GOLDFRANC SETTLEMENT ARE INCLUDED IN AN APPENDIX.

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R. RODENFUSEL

Agent.
Hongkong, March 10, 1926.

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"MORRIS"	10,918	2nd Apr.	Marseilles and London
"TEYPORE"	4,318	6th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Bombay
"LAHORE"	6,167	10th Apr.	Singapore & Bombay
"DELTA"	8,097	15th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"DEVANHA"	8,155	17th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	10,909	1st May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	29th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	9,114	18th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANUVA"	10,902	18th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	8,148	10th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARNATA"	10,909	24th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	8,097	7th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	11,089	21st Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,144	4th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,105	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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"TILAWA"	10,000	20th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th Apr.	Manila, Kolambagan, Sandakan
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th Apr.	Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
"TANDA"	6,958	14th Apr.	do
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th July	do

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"KALYAN"	9,144	18th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,097	10th Mar.	Shanghai and Kobe
"DEVANHA"	8,155	20th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"JAPAN"	8,083	2nd Mar.	Yokohama, Kobe & Osaka
"TILAWA"	10,000	2nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MAGDONIA"	11,089	2nd Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"PBRIM"	7,641	10th Apr.	Shanghai & Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th Apr.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	9,005	10th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KHYBER"	9,114	30th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,958	8th May	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,941	18th May	Shanghai
"MANUVA"	10,902	28th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"PADU"	5,07	30th May	Shanghai & Kobe
"KARMALA"	8,099	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,097	11th June	Shanghai and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	18th June	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	9,005	18th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"RANDEA"	10,941	18th July	Shanghai only
"MAGDONIA"	11,089	2nd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	9,144	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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Captain F. McGarity, master, "Ngankin," is on reserve. Mr. P. A. Pennington, chief officer, "Shuntien," has gone master, "Ngankin."
Captain J. Oudney, from reserve, has gone master, "Shuntien."
Mr. W. Jones, chief officer, "Tungting," is on reserve. Mr. E. Williams, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Tungting."
Mr. M. Defty, second officer, "Changsha," is on reserve. Mr. H. Edmondson, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Changsha."
Mr. R. L. Barkus, third engineer, "Nanchang," is on reserve.
Mr. A. Cumming, chief engineer, "Kwangse," is on Home leave.
Mr. A. Morrison, chief engineer, "Changsha," is on reserve.
Mr. D. M. Neilson, chief engineer, "Tungting," has gone chief officer, "Changsha."
Mr. G. E. Vaughan, from shore employment, has gone chief officer, "Changsha." Mr. G. K. Hudson, chief officer, "Changsha," has gone chief officer, "Yatshing." Mr. L. H. Hutchings, chief officer, "Yatshing," is on reserve.
Mr. A. B. Osmond, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Cheongshing." Mr. C. Fletcher, acting chief officer, "Cheongshing," has gone second officer, "Leesang." Mr. J. G. Davies, second officer, "Leesang," has gone second officer, "Cheongshing." Mr. K. P. D. Fairfax, second officer, "Cheongshing," is on reserve.
Captain J. McAlinsh, of the "Foonshing," has gone master, "Hangsang." Captain R. N. McNair, of the "Hangsang," has resigned. (To Shanghai Pilots' Association.)
Captain T. M. Meyrick, from reserve, has gone master, "Mausang." Captain P. R. G. Cumming, of the "Mausang," has gone master, "Mingsang." Captain C. Alexandre, of the "Mingsang," is on reserve.
Mr. E. J. A. Rorter, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Pingwo." Mr. G. Earlam, chief officer, "Pingwo," is on reserve.
Mr. J. M. Bain, from Home leave, has gone sup' chief officer, "Kiawo."
Mr. H. S. Dobson, from Home leave, has gone second officer, "Fuhwo."
Mr. J. A. Thom, third engineer, "Kungwo," is on leave.
Mr. W. Livesey, sup' third engineer, "Lienshing," is on reserve.
Mr. J. Harkett, from Home leave, has gone second engineer, "Suivo." Mr. J. Black, second engineer, "Suivo," has gone second engineer, "Lienshing."
Mr. R. H. Watt, third engineer, "Suivo," has gone sup' third engineer, "Tingsang."
Mr. J. Fry, second engineer, "Tingsang," is on reserve.
Mr. A. L. Miller, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Tingsang."
Mr. D. A. Macbean, from Home leave, has gone second engineer, "Kungwo." Mr. C. E. Compton, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Kungwo."
Mr. A. Mc N. Marshall, second engineer, "Kungwo," has gone second engineer, "Tingsang." Captain A. D. Thomson, of the "Tienkwang," is on reserve. Cap-

tain W. B. Cheshire, of the "Shukwang," has gone master, "Tienkwang." Captain J. G. Hannigan, from leave, has gone master, "Shukwang."

Mr. W. Steel has been appointed chief officer, "Tienkwang." Mr. W. Sudbury, chief officer, "Tienkwang," has gone chief officer, "Shukwang."

Captain F. S. Thompson, of the "Halyang," is on Home leave. Captain B. McK. Thompson, of the "Sutai," has gone master, "Lungshan." Captain E. Prigent, of the "Lungshan," has gone master, "Taishan." Captain S. Bell-Smith, of the "Taishan," is on Home leave.

Mr. R. H. Stewart, chief officer, "Sutai," has gone chief officer, "Taishan." Mr. G. H. Madden, chief officer, "Taishan," has gone chief officer, "Sutai."

Captain J. H. Van den Berg, from reserve, has gone master, "Borneo." Captain R. A. Prichard, of the "Borneo," has gone master, "New Mathilde." Captain E. G. Rapley, of the "New Mathilde," is on reserve.

Mr. N. Donald, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Pheumphen." Mr. R. J. Campbell, chief officer, "Pheumphen," has gone chief officer, "Telmachus."

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Goods arrived per s.s. "City of Singapore" remaining undelivered after to-day, will be subject to rent. Agents—The Bank Line, Ltd.

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A bachelor lady—not by any stretch of the imagination could she be called a girl—was being entertained for the first time at a supper club.

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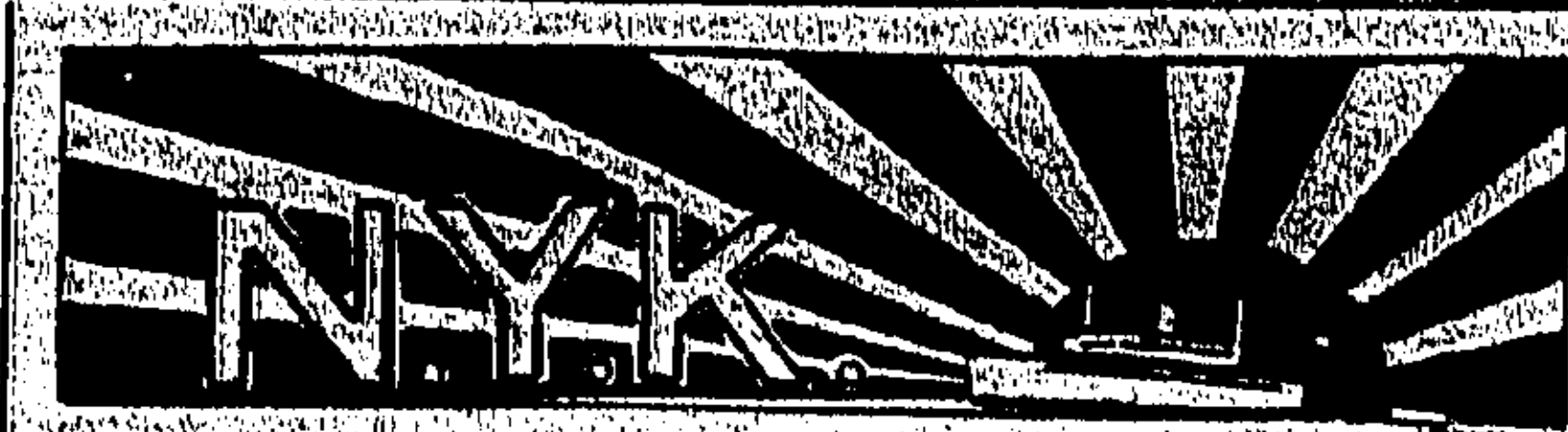
The attentive waiter bent toward her and said something in a low tone. Instantly there was an angry shriek and the bachelor lady struck at him with doubled fists. To her friend's horrified inquiry, she wailed:

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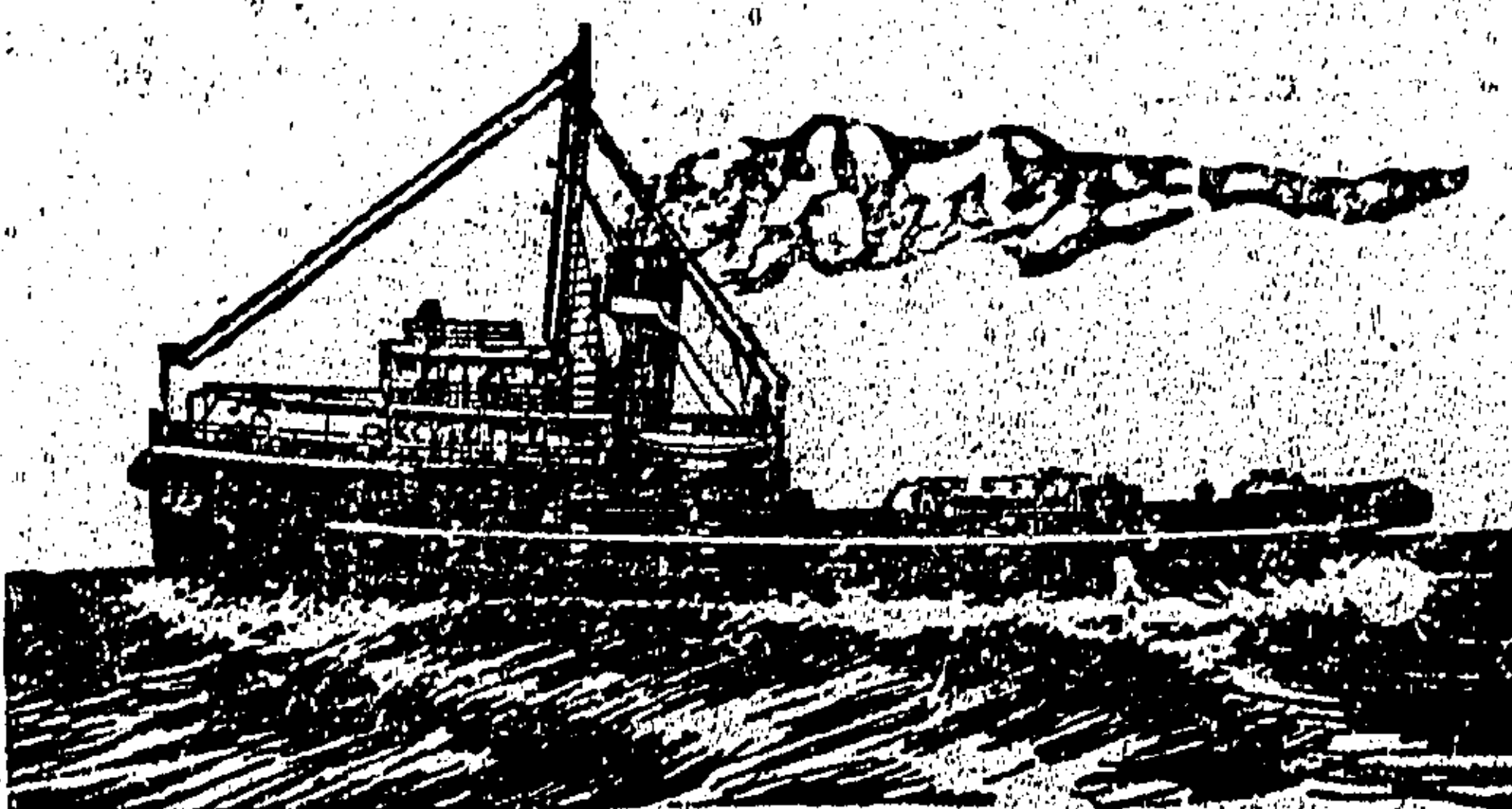
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MARRIAGE.

LOWSON — DOGGART. — At Kulangsu, Amoy, on March 12, James McKie Atkinson Lowson, M.A., M.B., Ch.B. (St. And.), of Forfar, Scotland, to Winifred Norah Doggart, M.B., Ch.B. (St. And.), of St. Andrew's, Scotland.

DEATH.

FLESHNER. — F.R. Fleshner, on March 13, 1926, at Matilda Hospital, American citizen, late of Canton.

Hongkong, Wednesday, March 17, 1926.

1924 IN RETROSPECT.

So far as can be recalled at the moment, all the various Departmental reports for the Colony for 1924 have already been published in separate form and, after being laid on the table of the Legislative Council, extracts and comments have appeared in the local Press. It was rather unfortunate that the labour troubles of last year prevented the earlier publication of the reports for 1924 which do seem rather belated; but this was unavoidable.

All these reports have now been issued in book form with the comprehensive title of "Administrative Reports for the Year 1924." The volume throws an interesting light on the Colony's affairs for the year in question, and as a local "Year Book" ought to be of inestimable value for reference purposes with the passing of the years. The only comment called for is that there is no index to the subjects reviewed. For example, there are constant references in more than one report to malaria, but the reader has first to search for the usual Departmental reports, occupy considerable time in lighting on the exact places and statistics, and then conclude that somewhere else within the pages of this volume must be found other allusions to the question. It may be that in future years an effort will be made to compile a detailed alphabetical index, and thus enhance the value of the volume as a whole to the busy man seeking for information and enlightenment on local affairs.

Over 80 pages of the book are devoted to a preface, general observations, and summaries of the various reports, the last named being themselves given in the form of appendices. As hinted, there is much

even in the preface and the general observations that cannot excite much comment owing to the late date of publication. As a plain and unadorned record of the Colony's progress, however, it has a high value. It reveals by means of impressive statements and cold figures what was the position of affairs in 1924 in relation to the activities of the Government. To many such reports and statistics may appear uninviting; but the official history of the Colony cannot, perhaps, be more accurately set forth than by means of such a comprehensive and official volume as this collection of Departmental Reports. It is true that the newspapers afford an insight into the trend of purely local events; but a half yearly or yearly file of a daily newspaper would be too cumbersome for ready reference, and, besides, would lack that "official" imprimatur common to Government reports in regard to purely administrative questions. The volume of "Administrative Reports for the Year 1924" ought to find a place in the reference library of all concerned in the welfare of the Colony, although there is nothing to indicate the price or where it is obtainable. These, however, are petty details—insignificant when compared with the great utility of the book as a whole.

UNCONSIDERED TRIFLES.

We have it on the authority of an experienced police officer, that the criminal element in Hongkong is no worse than it is in other parts of the world; that it is probably more "docile" and bears no comparison with that of the European element. There is at least a crumb of satisfaction in all this—and we shall try and look at it in that light the next time our presentation "old cut" links disappears, or a store in the centre of the town receives a nocturnal visit by a band of the disciples of Autolycus. It is the smallness of our community—or the restricted sense of its life—which places a strong light on acts of depredations as they occur—or rather as they are published—for many a theft is never reported to the police, and become merely topics of conversation at afternoon teas. The police were "wont to lay all our criminal troubles to the present chaos in the adjoining province." It smacked somewhat of the excuse which a certain Government Department used during the strike. All unattended, uncompleted jobs were "due to" the strike, which proves of course that adversity hath her advantages—if you can only get to look at it in the proper way. But can the fairly numerous thefts of recent days bear the same excuse as of old? We can well believe that thefts of sails and gear from yachts are due to a crime against the purloining from Golf Club houses is a little bewildering. These Rationalistic people throw dogmatic doubts on the existence of "Another Place"—either not or void. It must be supposed then that golfers have to be punished whenever "bad lines" and "all

stories have to be met with some sort of punishment—hence these visitations and the lifting of unconsidered trifles. The visiting of silk stores may be understood in order to be "on velvet," think nothing of getting there by the means of silk. Our Police force, we are told, costs a pretty penny. We would add to the cost. Mr. Edgar Wallace has written one or two engrossing detective stories—abounding in tips and examples of the deductive methods of the modern "foc." Why not lay in a few volumes for our Criminal Investigation Department?

NEW CRUISERS.

TWO LAUNCHINGS IN ONE DAY.

KENT AND CUMBERLAND.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 16.

Two new cruisers were launched to-day—the Kent at Chatham and the Cumberland at Barrow. Both are of 10,000 tons and will carry eight-inch guns in conformity with the Washington Naval Agreement. They will have a speed of 35 knots. They are, of course, part of the Admiralty's programme of replacement.

[The February issue of the Navy, the organ of the Navy League, has this note:—The cruiser Cornwall, which was laid down at Devonport Dockyard on October 11, 1924, is to be launched on March 11, when Lady Clinton will perform the naming ceremony. The Cornwall is one of five cruisers laid down in 1924 to replace vessels of the "County" class which had become obsolete. The other four are:—H.M.S. "Kent" (Chatham Dockyard), H.M.S. "Cumberland" (Victoria Dockyard), H.M.S. "Berwick" (Paisley Dockyard), and H.M.S. "Govan" (Govan Dockyard). A few days after the Cornwall is launched the keel plate of another cruiser will be laid. All the new vessels were designed by Sir E. F. Tennyson and Eynon.]

WALKED OUT.

SWARAJISTS LEAVE THE MADRAS COUNCIL.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE.

(Reuters Service.)

Madras, March 16.

The Swarajist and United Nationalist members of the Madras Legislative Council, numbering 28, walked out of the Council to-day in accordance with the recent decision of the All India Congress Committee calling on the Swarajists to withdraw from the Assemblies as a protest against the Government's attitude toward the demand for constitutional reforms.

[A Cawnpore cable of December 20 reported:—The Subjects Committee of the Indian National Congress, by a vote of 185 to 21, has adopted the resolution of boycotting Legislative Councils if the demands already made by the Legislative Assembly in regard to constitutional progress are not conceded. The resolution laid down that Swarajists should only attend from being vacated and that they should throw out the Budget, also. No office should be accepted as long as the Government did not give anything like a satisfactory reply. The resolution was carried by a large majority when brought before the Congress.]

BRITISH COAL.

PROTEST AGAINST SPANISH DECREES.

FIRM ATTITUDE ADOPTED.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 16.

A question was raised in the House of Commons as to the intention of Spain to propose legislation to issue decrees of advantage to British coal imports. Mr. Godfrey Locker-Lampson, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that the British Government was protesting strongly to the Spanish Government against any decree limiting the consumption of foreign coal. Should the Government consider whether any further action could be taken.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

March, 1926.

Calendar. 15. Mon. Abolition of the Tsar of Russia 1917.

16. Tues. Caroline Herschell born. 1750.

17. Wed. Captain Oates died 1912.

18. Thurs. Sir Robert Walpole died. 1745.

19. Fri. David Livingstone born. 1813.

20. Sat. Sir Isaac Newton died. 1727.

21. Sun. Giordano Bruno born. 1548.

The heroism of Captain A. Great Oates was great because here it was without heroism. Hardly ever has a more moving story been told of the way in which, during the Scott Antarctic Expedition, he met his death. Yet it was not words which made the story moving; it was the simple fact.

The expedition had got to the South Pole, but found that Amundsen had got there first. Then on the long, hard way home, when food had almost vanished, and Oates was weak, he felt that it would give the others a better chance if he were out of the way.

So he just walked out into the blizzard, and was never seen again. Well might Scott, in that tragic diary of his, relating the deed, say of Captain Oates: that he was a "very gallant gentleman." To be a gentleman of such a sort is a great deal up to which to live.

The splendid settings of

"If" Lord Dunsany's play at the Theatre Royal, calls to mind the time when Stephen Phillips wrote his poetical drawn. Ulysses. He and T. S. Eliot were one afternoon at the back of the dress circle of His Majesty's, watching the scenery that had been arranged for the production. The scene-painter from the Haymarket strolled in, and was invited to give an opinion.

"All I can say, gentlemen," he announced, frankly impressed, "is that I will want some uncommon good words written up to it!"

Mr. Irving Berlin's Golden Songs, is probably the first man to make a million by song writing, but some composers of the past, who were allowed enough to retain rights, have had little reason to complain of the financial rewards. "Har Golden Hair Was Hanging Down Her Back," earned \$20,000 for author and publisher. "My Mother Was a Lady" cleared an equal sum in royalties in a single year. "Queen of My Heart," it is said, rewarded its composer to the tune of \$40,000; and on many other world-famous ditties, like "Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay," the returns must have been still greater. Even songs of a much higher type have occasionally proved fortune-makers, as, for instance, "The Lost Chord," from which Sullivan derived over \$10,000, and "My Pretty Jane," which yielded its composer \$2,000 per line.

The motor salesman She Knew, had been for some days "trying to secure the rather difficult buyer, and as he mopped his perspiring brow he felt that he had finally managed to make the sale.

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Well, said the prospective buyer, "I am really buying it for my daughter, who has had an accident, and will not be able to walk for a year. I think I'll get you to run out to the hospital with me and tell her all about it."

The patient proved to be a bright chatterbox of about 17. She studied the illustrations carefully, and then looked severely at the expectant salesman.

"How can you be so untruthful?" she asked indignantly. "This car is quite an old model. The girl driving it has long hair!"

Lady Troubridge has come Personal to the rescue of those Charm, who wish to learn the secret of personal charm.

It is the small mistakes in etiquette that cost men and women embarrassment and lost friendships. Those with special aspirations, as well as those who merely wish to live their lives pleasantly will thank Lady Troubridge for "The Book of Etiquette" (two volumes, the Associated Book-buyers Company, 15s. 6d.). Such a book necessarily contains much that is obvious to most mortals. For instance, when attending a funeral—

Vivid colours, either on a man or woman, show a disregard for the feelings of the mourners, a lack of respect for oneself, and a distinct ignorance of the laws of good conduct.

On such an occasion levity of any sort is atrociously bad form. Similarly, the guest at dinner is warned that—

To take large mouthfuls, to eat too fast or too slow and to eat and drink noisily are unforgivable awkwardnesses.

Young men and girls are asked to note that it is incorrect to—

Borrow even the smallest sum of money.

Use the pocket-handkerchief in public unless absolutely necessary.

Lounge about, lie on sofas or put feet on chairs in public.

Tuck the dinner napkin under the chair or wave it about.

"Well-bred people," it is pointed out, "do not say 'Right-o, Emily' to a servant or 'Cheerio, old thing' or whatever may be the expression of the day to a dignitary of the Church!"

One shall know genius A Burns by its capacity for Biography, inspiring the new point of view in those who follow after.

No Scotsman will need to be told that Burns has this quality in excess, and we make no apology for quoting from a recent essay by a Scottish student. He was young, but he wrote:—"Burns was once asked to join a whist drive; but being a sensible man, he preferred to emigrate to the West Indies. He got a job as an 'excise' man, and worked himself up till he was able to write poetry. He was a very kind-hearted man. Once he wrote a poem on a mouse, after he had killed it. He ended his life as abruptly as he began it." Terse, but how true.

A SECOND BEST BED.

An interesting controversy has arisen in the "Times" concerning the authenticity of Shakespeare's will, particularly that part of the Poet's testament which leaves as a legacy to his wife, his second best bed. It appears that Mr. Addy, the well-known scholar, has arrived at the conclusion, after studying contemporary documents, that, after all, he left his best bed to his wife, which puts a totally different complexion on things. Indeed, if this theory is proved to be authentic, our conception of the Stratford Bard will need drastic revision (observes the "Times of Ceylon.") Volumes of controversy have been written about this second best bed. It is one of the most important pieces of furniture in history. Why second best? Many eminent scholars, including Sir Samuel Gollanz, have formed the not unnatural conclusion that Shakespeare was unhappily married. And this view is supported by the few facts which hitherto we have presumed to be correct about the Poet, and which now are upset if this theory is true. The records show that Shakespeare married when a lad, that his wife was an ill-educated peasant girl—some sea in her Andrey in "As you like it"—and it is impossible to conceive a man of his colossal intellect content with a village hoyden. It is perhaps significant that he was living with his wife when he wrote his greatest tragedies. All the black horror and tragedy of King Lear was written, so we are informed, at his Stratford home. So was Titus Andronicus, that terrible history, and, again, it is significant that in his old age he wrote "The Tempest," in which he portrayed the exquisite character of Miranda, who, it has been suggested, is a portrait of the girl whom he desired to marry, but could not, owing to his mistakes in early life. But this is all conjecture and theory. After all we can prove by playing cross-word puzzles with the sonnets, that Shakespeare was the Earl of Oxford, Lord Bacon, or Fletcher, whom we know wrote part of Henry VIII., and his workmanship is discernible in other plays. Again, there is the fascinating mystery of the Dark Lady. Is Miranda a portrait of this intriguing female? These are questions which revolve around the four corners of a dusty, second best bed. If Shakespeare left his wife his second best bed, it was a touch of bitter irony. On the other hand, if he left her his best bed, we are faced with a dilemma. The sonnets are ardent and yet so impersonal that they tell us nothing. Perhaps, and the conjecture is pleasing, the Poet was in love with his own wife and that she was the Dark Lady. But no. The records tell us that she was a "fair-haired lass." So off we go theorizing again. If it is proved that Shakespeare left his wife his best bed, we shall not be much the wiser. And after all, why should we?

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S. G. Feig, Mr. S. Day, Miss Conover,
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March 17—Queen's Theatre:
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March 17—Concert at St. Patrick's Club, Garden Road, 8.30 p.m.
March 20—Star Theatre: "The Sign of the Cross," 8.15 p.m.
March 21—Star Theatre: "No, No, Nanette," 6 p.m. and 9.15 p.m. Sports.
March 20—Hongkong Boxing Association's sixth tournament of the season at Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

the Hongkong Jockey Club.

May 1—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

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March 23—Annual meeting of
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 e, 6.15 p.m.
March 24—Fourth annual meet-
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 ineering & Construction Co.

ter Road, 11 a.m.

meeting of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co. Ltd., at St. George's Building, Chater Road, 5 p.m.

March 26—Fifty-seventh meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. Ltd., at Messrs. Jardine's, at noon.

March 27—Forty-first meeting of Watson & Co. Ltd., at Hong Hotel, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous

March 24—Annual meeting of the Hongkong Rationalist Association, 5.15 p.m.

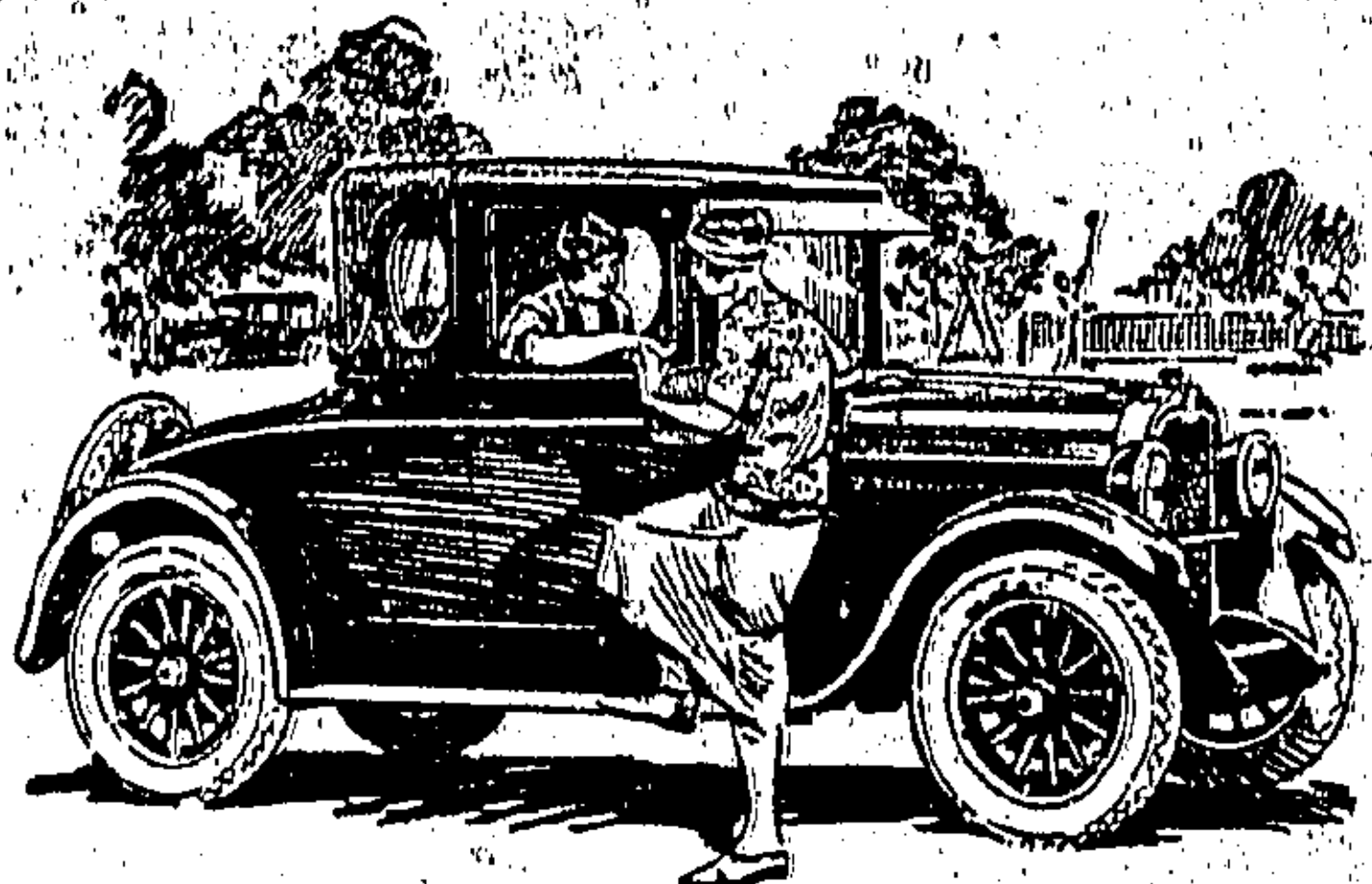
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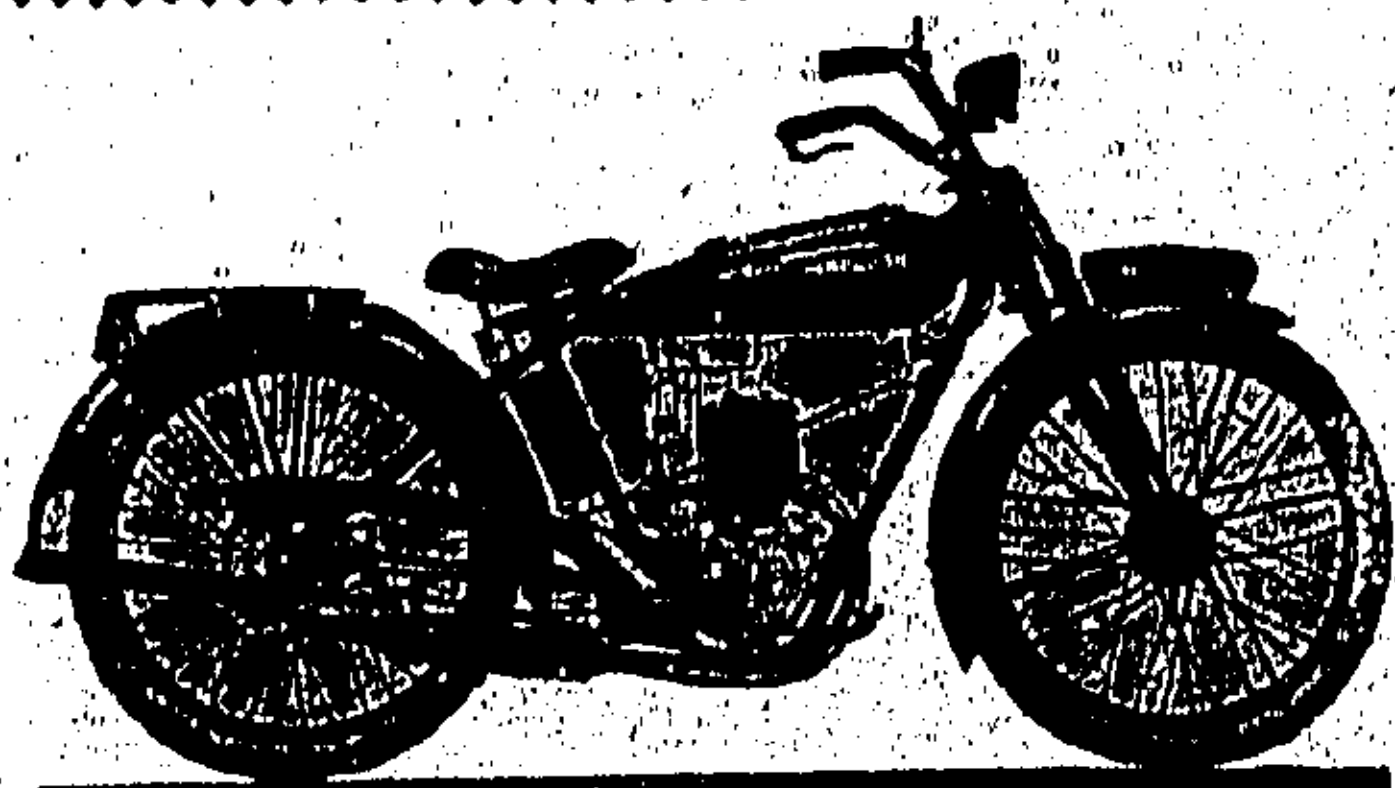
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Chinese case of enteric fever was notified on Monday.

The total awards in the 194 Lusitania claims by American subjects amount to \$480,000.

Mr. G. W. King, the Magistrate in H.M. Shanghai Police Court, "It is not a criminal offence to attempt to stave off one's creditors."

Four members of the Arsenal Football Club were recently in hospital together: Hoar, with an injured knee; Woods with a broken arm; Haden with a broken leg, and Jack Rutherford with ear trouble.

The annual general meeting of the Members of the Hongkong Automobile Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Tuesday, March 23, 1926, at 5.15 p.m., to pass and adopt the accounts for the year ending December 31, 1925, and to elect officers, etc.

The profile of President Coolidge may be reproduced on a special half dollar coin which has been proposed in connection with the sesquicentennial exposition to be held at Philadelphia. The coin would be one of two to be sold to help defray expenses of the exposition, the second coin being a \$2.50 gold piece.

At Leeds 1,000 seats have been specially reserved on the Readingly ground for the Cricket Test match. These will be numbered, and those in possession of tickets costing \$1 8s. 6d. for the three days, will have a seat guaranteed, even if they arrive late. Several hundreds of these tickets have already been sold. Members now joining the Club will have the same privilege for the unnumbered seats on the pavilion side as old members, only they will be called upon to pay an additional 10s. 6d. for the season including the Australian visit. It is expected that there will be a large number of these new members.

An announcement is shortly to be made in Parliament as to a memorial to the men of the Mercantile Marine who lost their lives in the war.

Fifteen thousand intimate love letters received by Victor Hugo from the most faithful of his women friends, Juliette Drouet were sold at public auction in Paris for only 18,000 francs.

Among traffic prosecutions at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. A. J. Wheeldon was fined \$5 for driving a car without a licence. Mr. Ahmed Nemaze was fined \$5 for a similar offence and \$10 for dangerous driving.

Due to his disgust of pressure brought to bear upon him from political sources just as he was about to cause the arrest of several important officials of Yokohama, Procurator Nagata of the Yokohama District Court has resigned. The case under investigation at the time, he said, was that of graft in the Social Works Section of the Kanagawa Prefectural Government. The vernacular press reports that the case involves several prominent persons who are believed to have been connected with the disappearance of about ¥150,000 out of the ¥300,000 which the city procured from the Imperial Government at a low rate of interest.

If the spectre of hard times stalks Japan, the cafes, restaurants, theatres and movie houses fail to show it, according to the reports of the Metropolitan Police Board on the expenditures for pleasure during the Oshogatsu, or first ten days of January. A total of ¥8,556,825 was spent, at such places during that period. This is an increase of ¥3,251,700 over the amount spent during the first ten days of January last year. Itemisations show that restaurants took in the most while theatres and movie houses came second. Business men were the chief spenders and then came clerks in government offices and students.

The estimate calling for a \$1,500,000 Building and Endowment Fund for the American School in Japan as submitted by the committee of which Mr. J. R. Geary is chairman, indicates that an enrolment of at least 100 students will be had when the new institution with its enhanced facilities throughout is realised.

"Typographical errors," said the late William Dean Howells, "are always amusing. When I was a boy in my father's printing office in Martin's Ferry, I once made a good typographical error. My father had written, 'The showers last week, though copious, were not sufficient for the millmen. I set it up millmen.'"

Introducing Sadhu Sundar Singh's Meditations on Various Aspects of the Spiritual Life, which Macmillans will publish, the Bishop of London recalls the Indian teacher's striking appearance and the impression he made upon the clergy of the London diocese by "the simplicity and yet supernatural power of his address."

The number of motor vehicles in the Dutch Indies is 50,824 all licensed for hire, out of which there are 38,709 motor cars, 4,900 motor buses and 7,215 motor cycles. The figures are furnished by the Java Motor Club. In January, Java and Madoera owned 27,599 motor cars, 2,752 buses and 5,691 cycles.

"X.Y.," in the "New Statesman," writes:—"The Devil has, it is said, a great deal of what is called charm, but charm merely means the power to get your own way and to deceive other people into doing what you want them to do. You often hear it said of a good man that he lacks charm, but his lack of charm is frequently an honesty that will not flatter or gloze for selfish purposes. If you meet a really charming man, look to your purse."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Harry Lauder is back in London for a season after an absence of two years.

Mr. M. M. Maas of the A.F.C. is due to leave London for Hongkong by the "Khyber" on March 26.

Dr. H. B. Mellon and Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield are passengers in the "President Monroe" which left Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. A. P. Glanville of the P.W.D., with Mrs. Glanville and infant, is due to leave London for Hongkong on April 9 by the "Malwa."

Passengers on the "President Grant" which reached Hongkong yesterday from Manila included Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Zeininger, Mr. Zeininger, who is editor of the Manila Bulletin, is going to the States on holiday.

The late Miss Nina Henrietta Beath, M.B., Ch.B., formerly of the Medical Mission of the Presbyterian Church of England, Swatow daughter of the late Lieut. Colonel John Henry Beath, C.B., R.A.M.C., left \$1,300 (personal estate in Great Britain).

The latest style of hairdressing for the modern woman is known as the "Charleston," and bids fair to replace the Eton crop. A side parting with a cock-comb effect over the forehead, and a curl on each cheek is the note of this new style.

Speaking of Shanghai, on his return home Sir Harry Lauder said: "Shanghai is the most wonderful place in the world. It is full of interest," he said, "and its attraction to Western visitors is magnetic. There is no better place in the world in which to study human types."

The marriage of Mrs. Marian Curcio to Mr. A. Wallace Jones was solemnised in Kobe on March 6. The consular service was held at H.B.M.'s Consulate-General in the morning and a quiet church service took place at All Saints' Church at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, followed by a wedding reception at the residence of Mr. H. T. Stapleton. Mr. Jones was manager of the Kobe branch of the Chartered Bank but will sail on home leave with his bride by the R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" on March 25. Mr. Stapleton relieved Mr. Jones as Kobe manager of the Bank.



EVIA LAVALLIERE

Eva Lavalliere, once one of the foremost of French actresses, was reported to be dying in her parents' hut near Viter, France. She left the stage while in her prime and lived as a peasant seeking "expiation and redemption."

Passengers due to arrive by the Macedonia include Mrs. L. A. Dickie and child, Mrs. R. E. Lindsell and child, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Lane, Mr. W. R. Macpherson, and Mrs. F. Norington.

If Cardinal Ratti, erudite Italian prelate, linguist extraordinary, scientist and book-lover, had only remained Monsignor Ratti instead of becoming Pope Pius XI, he might now be a member of the French Academy of Inscriptions and Belles-Lettres. As there are a number of pronounced anticlerical members and a unanimous vote is required, it is not difficult to see how he might have been pigeon-holed. The former Monsignor Ratti was proposed for membership in the learned gathering some time during the war. "Not well enough known," declared the haughty academicians; "let us wait and see if he produces a magnum opus that will entitle him to sit with us." However, before the French literati could get around to his case again, Cardinal Ratti had ascended to the throne of St. Peter.

The engagement is announced of Mr. Reginald P. Lopez, of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co., Ltd., Malacca to Miss Maude Rozelle of Singapore.

In the list of successes in the Bar Finals is the name of Major Brett M. Cloutman, who was awarded the last V. C. in the war on November 6, 1918, for gallantry at Pont-sur-Sambre.

"To the memory of a fine, old sportsman" was inscribed on a wreath from the Prince of Wales at the funeral of Mr. George Gee, aged 85, said to be the oldest member of the Pritchley Hunt, which took place at Welford, Northamptonshire.

The following are the officers and committee of the Kobe Golf Club for the current year. Mr. J. P. Warren, Chairman; Mr. H. Macnaughton, Captain, in place of Mr. J. D. Thomson, and Messrs. E. B. S. Edwards, A. C. Macpherson, D. S. G. Shierras, G. N. Hallett, and Viscount Kuki committeemen.

Intervention by King Boris has saved a poor peasant living near the royal summer palace at Varna from a prison term. The King's lowly neighbour stole oats from the royal barn, filling a cart, but he was soon apprehended by the police. The case came up and the King asked that he be released, saying: "I cannot permit the prosecution of my poor neighbour. I am rich and he is poor; no wonder he wanted to load his wagon with my oats. He will live in neighbourly relations with me in the future."

"Suitcase marriages" have been discussed so much in England that the Church Assembly will consider a reform of the law relating to the publication of marriage banns. Many of the 8,000,000 members of the Church of England belong to congregations outside the parishes in which they reside. Consequently, if they desire to be married in the church to which they belong, they must take up residence in that parish for three weeks. This has resulted in the renting of rooms in which a suitcase is left to establish residence. It is proposed that matrimony be permitted in the church of the parish in which either of the parties is entered on the electoral roll, whether actually resident there or not.

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People and Events in the News of the World



POPE PIUS XI

This remarkable photograph of Pope Pius XI was taken in the Vatican as he was officiating at the closing of the Missionary Exhibition which had been in progress there for some time.



MRS. MARY MURRAY

Mrs. Mary Murray, a member of the National Women's Party committee, called on President Coolidge to ask him to support the immediate passage of the equal rights amendment.



MR. & MRS. IRVING BERLIN

After being pursued for days by reporters and photographers, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Berlin finally have attained solitude in Europe.



JEAN FERRIS

Jean Ferris, fourteen years old, an English schoolgirl, has come into a fortune of £200,000 through the termination of a trust fund left her by her grandfather, the late Claus Spreckels, the American sugar king.



REV. & MRS. WILLIAM CHRISTY

Mrs. Laura E. Christy was held for the grand jury at East Liverpool (Oregon) on a charge of murder after the death of her husband of nine days, the Rev. William Christy. Officials believed poison caused the pastor's death.



PRESIDENT KALLIS



MISS MARY ANDERSON



GENERAL JAY J. MORROW



GERTRUDE LEICHT

President Kallis, of the Finnish Ministry, formed the new Agrarian Cabinet. Miss Mary Anderson, Women's Bureau director, arranged the industrial conference at Washington which represented 8,500,000 employed women. General Jay J. Morrow, chairman of the special committee on the Tacna-Arica boundary dispute, will return to Chile in April. Gertrude Leicht, although only nineteen, has been appointed city clerk of Fort Thomas, Kentucky.



VISCOUNT KATO

Viscount T. Kato, the Japanese Prime Minister, who died after a four-days' illness with influenza.

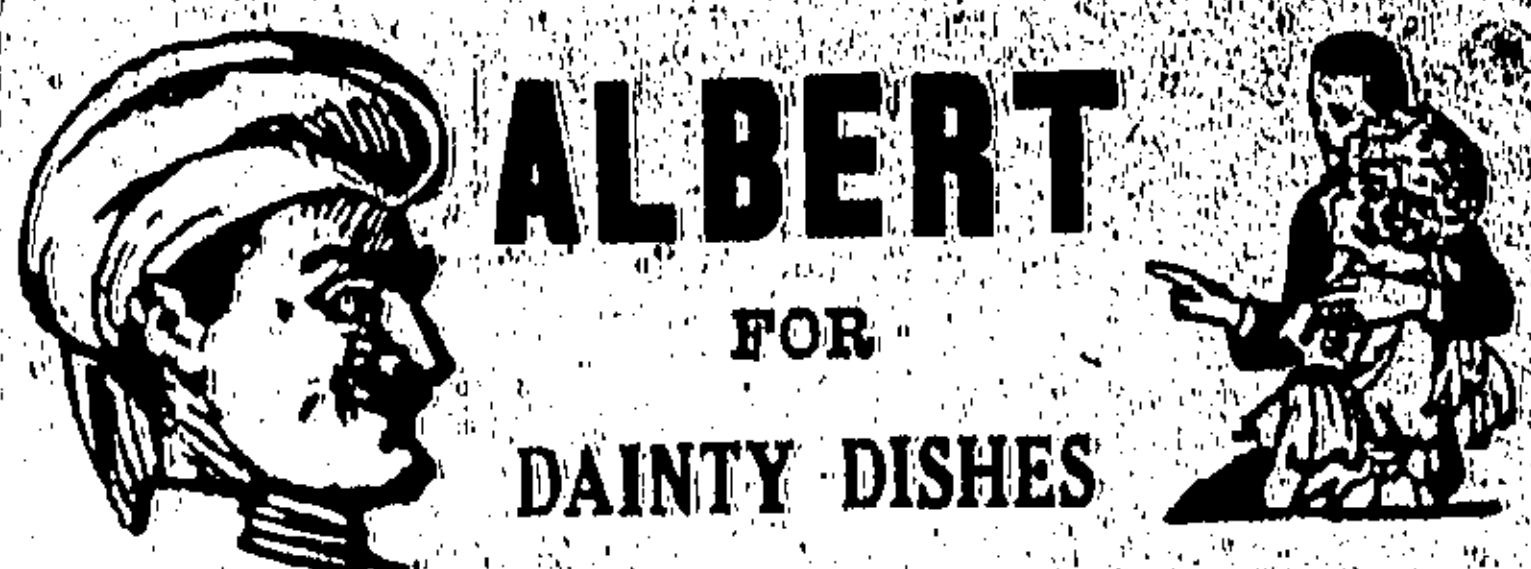


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Imitation "Scotch" Tweeds. The extent to which Scottish tweeds are imitated in America is flatteringly to the skill of the manufacturers in the Border towns, but foreign-made tweeds sold as Scottish not only delude the purchasers, but threaten to cast discredit on an industry which is admittedly unrivalled. The foreign analyst may identify the yarns and pick out the colour blendings, and the chemist may secure an almost exact approximation to the dyes, and the manufacturer may reproduce the pattern of weaving, but they cannot produce tweeds corresponding in quality and texture to the home-manufactured article. The blending and preparation of wools and colours are secured by something more than mechanical processes. The time has come when Scottish manufacturers have concluded that they must protect the American purchaser, and their own interests at the same time, and a scheme has been evolved whereby every purchaser will have an identification device as a guarantee of genuineness. Whether this plan will prove completely satisfactory remains to be seen, but if the circumstances call for the registering of trade marks in countries where tweeds are in demand, the manufacturers will unquestionably be drawn together to act in co-operation for that purpose.



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New Faces for Criminals.

Through the clever capture in Vermont of a burglar who had his facial appearance altered by surgery, attention was called recently to the increasing use of plastic surgery by criminals seeking to escape identification, says the "World Magazine" (New York). On the prisoner was found a receipt for \$600 dollars paid to a New York surgeon for changing the contours of his ears, chin, and nose. He had dyed his hair, too. Poet and Farmer.

When Scotsmen toast the immortal memory, few of them are likely to recall Burns, as one of the most progressive farmers of his day (according to the "Daily Chronicle"). Yet as a pioneer of scientific farming he was recognised by his contemporaries, and Colonel Fullerton, in a report in 1795 on "The Agriculture of Ayrshire," refers to the poet's farming operations in complimentary terms. Amongst others, Major Dunlop of Dunlop, a prominent agriculturist, expressed surprise at the excellent crops grown by Burns on stony Ellislund. His prize cattle also were well known. At a time when cows averaged \$2.10, he obtained the then record price of \$18 for a cow with her calf. Had the dog of the Chair-o-Agriculture then published at Edinburgh University, not had a friend for the poet, Burns, in all probability, would have been appointed to the new professorship. To him more than anyone else is due the credit of founding in 1793 what is believed to have been the first farmers' society in Scotland, that of Kilmarnock.

The Shingle Nightcap.

One can never tell how one fashion will create another, and one of the most remarkable recent examples of this is the manner in which the intensely modern fashion of shingled hair has changed a revival of the fashion of nightcaps for women (says "Godeaux" in the "Daily Chronicle"). I am told on good authority that every shingled woman who respects her shingle dons a sleeping cap when she retires to bed for the night, to keep her hair in position, to protect the waves, and to prevent the ends at the back turning up. The new "bed cap" are not so elaborate as those of former days, but they are night-caps for all that.

Brave But Fussy.

Even should the Prince of Wales consent to make the carrying of umbrellas fashionable, he would certainly not be willing to carry one when in uniform (says the "Daily Chronicle"). Yet his great-uncle, the Duke of Cambridge, was occasionally seen thus equipped, and at least one instance is recorded of British officers taking their umbrellas into an engagement. At Bayonne, in 1833, Wellington, observed a company of the Grenadier Guards defending a redoubt against Soult's troops, a heavy shower was falling, and the Grenadier officers had umbrellas up. He subsequently sent their colonel a "memo" of characteristic incisiveness:—"Lord Wellington does not approve of the use of umbrellas under fire, and will not allow the sons of gentlemen to make themselves ridiculous in the eyes of the enemy."

Yellow for Breakfast.

Buttercup yellow or bright orange is the right colour for the breakfast table, when nerves are on edge and the senses crave for sunshine (says a "Daily Telegraph" writer). Breakfast is the meal that really needs the most care in preparation—though it seldom gets it—and lukewarm tea, bacon as brittle as glass, and flabby toast are too many people's portion. By lunchtime most of us are feeling brisk and businesslike, and at dinner the lamps are lit and a pleasant evening looms ahead; but breakfast has none of these artificial aids and must succeed or fail on its own merits. While the day is still untried, all one's work and worries still to come, the mind is peculiarly open to impressions. More people than admit it feel a sense of dread or nervous apprehension in the morning which breakfast can do much to soothe or aggravate. Bright yellow is not only cheerful in itself, but has a mysterious reassuring quality very grateful to the nervous temperament.

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